



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held December 9, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

“On June 4, 2002, the Board approved the Safe Haven Task Force recommendations that included 12 recommendations to effectively implement the Newborn Abandonment Law (SB 1368), often referred to as the ‘Safely Surrendered Baby Law’ in Los Angeles County. Included was a recommendation to expand the number of Safe Surrender sites.

“SB 1368 allows the Board of to expand the number of Safe Surrender sites beyond the private or public hospital emergency rooms designated by law. Subsequently, the Board has exercised that authority and designated fire stations in 19 cities as Safe Surrender locations. The Board has continued to actively recruit municipal fire departments to participate in the County’s Safe Surrender program.

“Today, the City of Hermosa Beach is requesting the Board include their fire station as a Safe Surrender site.”

Merritt Holloway addressed the Board.

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Made a finding pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a);

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2. Designated the City of Hermosa Beach Fire Department fire station as a Safe Surrender site in the County of Los Angeles, effective December 9, 2003;
3. Requested that said city utilize the safe surrender kits developed by the County or similar ones developed by the individual city; and
4. Requested that the designated city's Fire Chief prominently display the uniform Safe Surrender logo at the entrance of the fire station.

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